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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION  
 FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.121**

Dear Sir:

In reference to the above-identified patent application, this is a response to the Office Action having a mailing date of February 12, 2004 (paper no. 31) and a statutory period for response that expired on May 12, 2004. This Office Action is a rejection of claims 1-46 and 60-63.

Appended to this Amendment and Reply is a petition for a three-month extension of time and an authorization to charge the undersigned attorney's deposit account for the required petition fee. If for any reason this petition and authorization should become separate from this Amendment and Reply, the Commissioner is respectfully requested to consider this a petition for any extension of time that is required to maintain the pendency of this patent application. In this

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event, the Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 23-1665 for any fee that may be required to maintain the pendency of this application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.